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APPLICANTS : Jan Berka, et al.

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**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed on July 30, 2008 in relation to the above-referenced application, Applicants respectfully request entry and consideration of this Amendment and Response under 37 C.F.R. §1.111. A petition for a two-month extension of time and the relevant fee accompanies this Response. With this extension, this Response is considered to be timely filed on or before December 30, 2008.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.